MINUTES OF THE LAFAYETTE COMMON COUNCIL OCTOBER 4, 1999 REGULAR SESSION

The Common Council of the City of Lafayette, Indiana met in regular session on Monday, October 4, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 20 North 6th Street, Lafayette, Indiana.

President Pro Tem Rhoda called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the flag of our Country.

The following members were:

Present: Boehning, Meyer, Phillips, Campbell, Brown, Rhoda, Fisher, Smith

Absent: Probasco

The Clerk stated that there was a quorum present.

City Clerk Lisa Decker and City Attorney Eric Burns were present.

Councilman Campbell moved to approve the Minutes of the September 8, 1999 special session, Councilman Phillips seconded. The minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

The Clerk stated that there were no Presentations or Disposal of Claims or Presentations of Petitions or Communications.

The Clerk stated that the following reports are available in the Clerk's Office:

Clerk's Office Monthly Report – August 1999 Controller's Office Monthly Report – August 1999 Motor Vehicle Report – August 1999 Police Traffic Report – August 1999 Miscellaneous Monthly Department Reports

Ordinances for Second Reading.

The Clerk read Ordinance 99-33 (An Ordinance Amending the 2000 Salaries for Various Departments) by title only for second and final reading. Councilman Phillips moved for passage, Councilman Campbell seconded. Ordinance 99-33 passed 7-0 on a roll call vote.

The Clerk read Ordinance 99-35 (An Ordinance Establishing the Lafayette Fire Department Donation Fund) by title only for second and final reading. Councilman Meyer moved for passage, Councilman Brown seconded. Ordinance 99-35 passed 7-0 on a roll call vote.

The Clerk read Ordinance 99-36 (An Ordinance Pertaining to Street Addresses) by title only for second and final reading. Councilman Smith moved for passage, Councilman Fisher seconded. Beatrice Jeffries, 1800 Arcadia Drive, spoke regarding the confusion of the numbering on Arcadia Drive. Ms. Jeffries stated that if this ordinance is passed it must be uniformly enforced. Mr. Burns clarified the ordinance. Councilman Meyer inquired about a letter from City Engineer

Opal Kuhl to the Board of Public Works and Safety in response to a request from Mrs. Jeffries to renumber houses on Platte Drive. Ms. Kuhl explained that the Board of Public Works and Safety would consider her recommendation at their next meeting on October 5, 1999. Councilman Boehning stated that she felt that this is a safety issue that needs to be considered. Councilman Brown asked about the impact on personnel to enforce the ordinance. Mr. Burns stated that the existing Ordinance Violations Bureau would be used to enforce the ordinance. Ordinance 99-36 passed 7-0 on a roll call vote.

Ordinances for First Reading:

The Clerk read Ordinance 99-37 (An Ordinance to Vacate a Portion of the Public Way in the City of Lafayette, Ivy Technical State College, Petitioner) by title only for first reading. Councilman Boehning moved for passage, Councilman Campbell seconded. Randy Williams, 810 Bank One Building, representing the petitioner, explained the proposed project for expansion of Ivy Technical State College. Councilman Boehning had several questions. Ms. Kuhl responded to questions. Ordinance 99-37 passed 7-0 on a roll call vote.

Councilman Campbell moved to set a public hearing on Ordinance 99-37 on November 8, 1999 at 7:01 p.m., Councilman Fisher seconded. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

The Clerk read Ordinance 99-38 (An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Ordinance of Tippecanoe County, Indiana, to Rezone Certain Real Estate from R1 and R3 to GB, Mary C. Wastl, Petitioner) by title only for first and final reading. Councilman Campbell moved for passage, Councilman Phillips seconded. Randy Williams, 810 Bank One Building, representing the petitioner, explained the proposal. Councilman Fisher asked what is currently on the location. Mr. Williams stated that it is farmland. Councilman Campbell asked why the rezone was being requested prior to a plan being developed for the property. Mr. Williams stated that this appears to be a good time to go forward with the rezone. Ordinance 99-38 passed 7-0 on a roll call vote.

The Clerk read Ordinance 99-39 (An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Ordinance of Tippecanoe County, Indiana, to Rezone Certain Real Estate from R1 to I3, Joe Richardson, Petitioner) by title only for first and final reading. Councilman Boehning moved for passage, Councilman Fisher seconded. Randy Williams, 810 Bank One Building, representing the petitioner, explained the proposal. Councilman Fisher spoke in support of the proposal. Greg Phillips, Lafayette, inquired about an I3 designation. President Pro Tem Rhoda explained the zoning designation. Ordinance 99-39 passed 7-0 on a roll call vote.

The Clerk read Ordinance 99-40 (An Ordinance Amending Chapters 1, 3 and 4 of Ordinance No. 97-51 being the Unified Zoning Ordinance of Tippecanoe County, Amendment 13) by title only for first and final reading. Councilman Meyer moved for passage, Councilman Brown seconded. Jim Hawley, Executive Director, Tippecanoe County Area Plan Commission, explained the changes to the Unified Zoning Ordinance. Councilman Phillips inquired about the parking provisions in the proposal. Mr. Hawley explained the provisions. Ordinance 99-40 passed 7-0 on a roll call vote.

The Clerk read Ordinance 99-41 (An Ordinance Regulating the Performance of Massage Therapy in the City of Lafayette, Indiana) by title only for first reading. Councilman Campbell moved for passage, Councilman Fisher seconded. Kip Treece and Greg Phillips, Innerwaves Massage, 607 Main Street, explained the need for the passage of the proposal. Councilman Meyer had several questions about the three certifying organizations that are outlined in the proposal. Mr. Burns

addressed several questions from council members. Ordinance 99-41 passed 7-0 on a roll call vote.

Resolutions:

The Clerk read Resolution 99-29 (A Resolution Reducing the 1999 Appropriated Budget) by title only for first and final reading. Councilman Fisher moved for passage, Councilman Smith seconded. Councilman Phillips stated that she had been concerned about the large cuts in salaries but stated that after inquiries she felt satisfied that the reductions would not be detrimental to public safety or city services. Councilman Phillips commended the administration for their diligence in reducing the budget. Councilman Meyer inquired about cuts in police and fire salary line items. Gene Reed, Police Chief, explained the reductions in the police budget. Jeff McCoy, Fire Chief, explained that there are gaps in employment after a retirement takes place that allows reductions in the salary line item. Councilman Phillips further explained the reductions in the fire department. Resolution 99-29 passed 7-0 on a roll call vote.

There were no reports of Standing or Special Committees.

Report by Mayor Heath: Mayor Heath stated that there was a public meeting pertaining to the North Ninth Street project and stated that the plans are available for review and the city is accepting comments and suggestions from property owners along North Ninth Street. Mayor Heath stated that on October 16, 1999 at 10:00 a.m. there will be a dedication of the SIA funded playground at Columbian Park. Mayor Heath stated that the last ride down the curly cue slide will be the weekend of October 30, 1999 at Columbian Park. Mayor Heath stated that work has begun on the roof at the building at Vinton Pool. Mayor Heath thanked council for their action on the 1999 and 2000 budgets.

Miscellaneous and New Business: Councilman Meyer moved to appoint Gorley MacKenzie to the prevailing wage board, Councilman Campbell seconded. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Lisa Decker, City Clerk, stated that the newly revised Lafayette City Code is now on-line on the city webpage and is fully searchable and accessible.

Reports of Councilmen: Councilman Campbell encouraged candidates to make certain that political yard signs are not placed in the public right of way.

There were no further comments from the public.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilman Campbell moved to adjourn, Councilman Fisher seconded. The motion to adjourn passed by unanimous voice vote. Time being 7:58 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Lisa Decker, City Clerk.

A tape recording of this council meeting is maintained in the City Clerk's Office.